

## FORSAKES SPAIN FOR CUBA'S CAUSE.

Nephew of President Canovas del  
Castillo Is the Latest  
Recruit.

He Will Probably Be Placed in Com-  
mand of the Artillery Branch of  
the Patriots' Army.

OFFERS SERVICES AND FORTUNE.

Found His Native Country Too Warm for  
Him After Expressing His Sympathy  
for the Insurgents—From a  
Distinguished Family.

Senor Don Jose Miguel de Michelena y Canovas del Castillo is the name of a flower of Spanish chivalry who has espoused the cause of Cuba and has just reached the country here. The young man is a nephew of the present President of the Cabinet of Spain, Antonio Canovas del Castillo.

It has been frequently asserted by Spaniards and the friends of Spain that the insular party in Cuba was composed of negroes and bandits, who were simply waging guerrilla warfare upon the organized forces of the home government. Therefore the coming of the young Spanish aristocrat is hailed with great joy by all the Cubans. Senor Don Jose Miguel de Michelena is of patrician blood and is known all over Spain as a distinguished lawyer. It is confidently predicted that his espousal of the Cuban cause will lead many other Spaniards of wealth and influence to help the islanders in their struggle for liberty.

Senor Don Jose Miguel de Michelena has offered the Cubans both his own services and his fortune. The young man comes direct from Madrid. He is to be Marquis de Casa Michelena upon his father's death, and his fortune is no small one. He was born in 1862 and was educated at the Teresianum, in Vienna, where the King of Spain, husband of the present Queen Regent, and the Archduke Rudolph were pupils.

TO TAKE COMMAND OF ARTILLERY.  
After his graduation he served as an artillery captain in the Austrian Army. It is the intention of the Cubans to give the Spaniard, who has thus manifested his willingness to join their forces, a command in the Cuban artillery.

That branch of the Cuban service does not amount to much as yet. The islanders have some light artillery, however, and have captured about half of the Spanish army in Cuba had. It is the intention of the Cubans here to send more artillery to the island at once.

It is noteworthy that the Colonel Michelena, who commands the Regiment of Maria Cristina, now in Cuba, is an uncle of Don Jose Miguel de Michelena. Senor Pablo de Michelena, who was Governor of Havana, is also an uncle of the young man.

SPAIN TOO WARM FOR HIM.  
The act of the young Cuban sympathizer in openly espousing that cause has created a profound impression in Spain. He is engaged to be married to the Countess of Alma Zichy, consequently society in Madrid has had much to say of the matter.

The young man first made it known that he favored the Cuban cause last November. The other members of the family made it so warm for him in Spain that he left there, although he had great difficulty in getting out of that country.

## MEMORIAL TO A HERO.

A Fountain to Be Erected by Gen. Anderson's Daughter in West Point Cemetery.

Mrs. E. Anderson Lawton, of No. 37 Fifth avenue, daughter of the late Major-General Robert Anderson, the hero of Fort Sumter, has just awarded to Dooley & Ayres, of Flatbush, N. Y., a contract for the erection at the entrance to the National Cemetery at West Point of a beautiful marble fountain as a memorial to her distinguished father. The fountain was designed by James H. Earle, of Washington, D. C.

The base will be octagonal in shape, with a diameter of about eight feet. The top of the octagon will be eight feet. The center basin will have a diameter of five and a half feet. The base and steps will be of a gray granite, and the octagonal basin of black polished granite. The fountain will have eight tablets, with finely polished centers for recording the historic episodes in the career of the dead General. The center tablet will be of black granite, excepting the centering of the tablets, which will be of highly polished granite.

From the center will tower seven sprays, shaped like lotus flowers, and surrounded by a bronze foliage. At the water level of the octagonal basin will be a small sprays made of bronze, which will lean toward the center of the fountain. The memorial will have a most picturesque location. It will stand about fifty feet from the cemetery entrance, overlooking the Hudson.

Work has already commenced on the foundation.

## Hockey Champions to Play.

An incorporation certificate of the New York Commandery of the Naval Order of the United States was filed yesterday in the office of the County Clerk. The purpose of the body is to honor the illustrious deeds of the naval commanders of the United States, to establish libraries and preserve all documents and portraits relating to the history of the United States and its heroes. The directors are: Loyal Farragut, Louis Joseph Allen, John D. Bonhomme, Edward and Henry Schuyler, John L. Loyd, Henry Chauncey, Jr., Philip Burrill Low, James Mortimer Montgomery, Margaret Goff, Ton Brock Davidson, George Cowie, Jr., and James Parker.

## Gift Cautions Loyal Irishmen.

Boston, March 6.—A banquet was given at the Parker House last evening to Recorder John W. Goff, of New York, by the committee under whose direction his oration at the Emmet celebration was delivered. Recorder Goff was received with enthusiasm. In the course of his remarks he counseled Irishmen not to confound up into gigantic proportions the will-o'-the-wisp of secret organizations, which merited more contempt than opposition, and said that little was heard of the prospective societies in New York, as that was a great common police centre.

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HORRORS OF THE CUBAN WAR. More Bicycle Inventions.



Senor Don Jose Miguel de Michelena.

He is a nephew of the President of the Cabinet of Spain, Antonio Canovas del Castillo, and has come to this country to devote his services and his fortune to the cause of the Cuban patriots. He belongs to one of the most distinguished Spanish families, and when, last November, he openly declared his sympathy with the insurgents, his relatives made Spain very warm for him. He will probably take command of the Cuban artillery, which is to be made in important branch of that army.

## 'SPEC' CAUSE IRRITATION ADOPT BERTILLON SYSTEM

Oculists and Opticians in Opposition Over Assemblyman Andrews' Bill.

It Interests All Who Make and Fit Eyeglasses, and the Wearers as Well.

## ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST IT.

One Side Says the Measure Provides for the Formation of a Trust, and the Other Declares That It Is Necessary.

A bitter fight is in progress between the oculists and the opticians of this State. At present the opposing forces are devoting all their energies to trying to defeat or to pass bill No. 727, introduced by Assemblyman Andrews in the lower house at Albany. The object of this bill is to incorporate the Optical Society of New York so as to improve and regulate the practice of dispensing and refracting opticians.

Among other things the bill provides that the society shall have power to appoint a board to examine all applicants for certificates and to investigate all complaints of disregard or violation of the provisions of the act. All persons in the business before the passage of the act are exempt from such examination upon payment of \$25 to the society, which is given power to determine what preliminary qualifications are essential for applications and to revoke as well as to grant certificates.

The opponents of the bill say that it forms an optical trust, that about 4,000 persons come within its provisions and that, at \$25 apiece, the trust would have a capital of \$100,000 with which to start business. Furthermore, they say that the society, under the bill, can limit the number of candidates by making the fees large enough to freeze out those not favoring the bill. The bill, they say, is a restriction on the practice of opticians as there is for regulations restricting doctors, oculists, veterinarians, surgeons and pharmacists.

It is infamous, they say, to allow so delicate and necessary an organ as the eye to be at the mercy of every one who tries to make money by misfitting glasses. Their argument is that the bill would have a cause a glass which improves vision is one thing and its adaptability to the eye is another. A practical bill, they say, is one that ought to be passed, should place the matter in the hands of the State Board of Regents.

Those who advocate the bill say that the oculists, jealous of their professional dignity, are bent on appropriating an analogous position to that of the dentist in his relation to medical science, and it is an elevation which self-respecting skilled opticians seek. The Optical Society, they say, advocates, does not propose to regulate men who sell spectacles and eyeglasses as merchandise only, but it does propose to be a society to pass upon the qualifications of all those who profess scientific skill, either in executing ophthalmic prescriptions for lenses as dispensing opticians, or who adapt glasses to the sight.

## BITTEN BY A MAD DOG.

A Schoolboy Has a Fierce Struggle with a Frothing Cur.

John Banhoff, nine years old, of No. 482 Robbins avenue, stopped on his way to school yesterday morning to pitch pennies with some school fellows at Robbins avenue and One Hundred and Forty-seventh street. The boys were intent upon the game when a mongrel dog, barking, snapping and frothing at the mouth, ran toward them. The boys ran but Banhoff, who stopped to pick up the pennies. He found a stone and threw it at the dog. The stone hit the ear, and with a sharp yelp it drew at the boy, caught him by a leg and pulled and tugged till the boy fell down. Banhoff beat the dog with his fist, but the animal retained its grip and only released it to take a fresh hold upon the other leg. The other boys gathered around and tried to help, and one of them got a club and pounded the dog until it released its hold. A policeman who came up fired a bullet through the animal's head and killed it.

Dr. Opdyke, of the Harlem Hospital, cauterized the boy's wound.

Luke Kennedy's Will Filed.  
The late Luke Kennedy's will was filed yesterday. It disposes of \$33,000. J. S. Dempsey receives \$1,000 and Father Ken \$2,000, to be given to the poor of the congregation of St. James's Church. Two thirds of the remainder goes to Mr. Kennedy's son, Joseph, and the other third to the widow. After her death whatever fortune she leaves will go to St. Vincent's Retreat, at Harrison, N. Y.

## HEILMAN'S TEARS CAUGHT THE JURY.

Sobbed as if His Heart Was  
Breaking When His Daughter  
Testified.

She Took Her Husband's Part, and  
Said She Did Not Love Her  
Old Father.

## A THREE-CORNERED FAMILY ROW.

Dapper Little Max Deckinger Sued His  
Father-in-Law for Throwing Him,  
with the Aid of the Harries,  
but Tears Won.

Old Moses Heilman, a well-known resident for many years of the East Side, and said to be worth two or three hundred thousand dollars, sat in Trial Term, Part VI, of the Supreme Court, yesterday, weeping bitterly, because his handsome daughter, Mrs. Max Deckinger, testified against him in her husband's suit to recover \$10,000 for an assault alleged to have been committed by the old man and Alexander and Edward Harris at 11:30 o'clock on the night of January 6, 1914. His tears so moved the jurors that, after having been out forty-five minutes, they returned a verdict in his favor.

Deckinger, a dapper little man, said Heilman and the Harris brothers waylaid him at the door of his residence, No. 146 East Forty-ninth street, smashed his hat, tore his clothing, hit him on the face and neck and tried to plunge a knife into his neck. But for the interference of his wife, Deckinger said, and the timely arrival of a policeman, his alleged assailants would have murdered him.

"When I was about to put my key into the keyhole," said Deckinger on the stand, "some one jumped on my back and grabbed me by the throat."

"Heilman,"

"How do you know?"

"I heard him shout to the Harries, 'Kill him, and I will go your bail,' and then he

## RATS SCAMPERED FROM THE GARDEN.

That Was Because Half a Dozen  
of the Cat Exhibits Were  
at Liberty.

Mrs. Knapp's Angora, "Susie," Led  
the Other Fugitives All Over  
the Big Amphitheatre.

## THE LAST HOURS OF THE SHOW.

"Click." Owned by Mrs. H. Burnett, Carried  
Off the Prize Offered for the Largest  
and Heaviest Exhibit—Other  
Winners Yesterday.

Madison Square Garden is being rapidly freed from rats. They are leaving it in shoals. Since the great Cat Show opened on Tuesday last the rodents have had an uncomfortable time.

Their life has been one of constant apprehension. So long as their feline enemies remained within their wire cages, sleepily content to bask in the adulation and admiration of the crowds of cat lovers who have petted and poked their dainty fingers at them all day, the rats beneath the flooring patiently and hungrily waited for the show to end.

But on Thursday night, when half a dozen tabbies broke loose and went hunting on their own account, according to the cellar man and night watchman, there was a perfect stampede of rats, which sought refuge in the areas of the houses adjacent to Madison Square Garden.

## "SUSIE" THE RINGLEADER.

"I never see so many rats in all my life," said the night custodian of Palmer's Theatre yesterday, "as come out of the Garding on Thursday night."

The principal cause of the commotion among the rodents was an Angora cat named Susie, the property of Mrs. Ida Knapp, and No. 107 in the catalogue. By some means she escaped, and became the ringleader of some four or five more, who spent a pleasant evening in roaming about the



PRINCIPALS IN THE HEILMAN-DECKINGER FAMILY FUSS.

Old man Moses Heilman was sued by his son-in-law, Max Deckinger, for an alleged assault, and handsome Mrs. Deckinger testified against her father, calmly admitting that she did not love him. The old man began to cry at the beginning of her testimony, and kept up his sobs until the jury returned a verdict in his favor. Then he broke into smiles.

shouted, "You said I had a woman in my house will you?" Mrs. Deckinger rushed to his aid, he said, and forced her father to release him. So, Mrs. Deckinger, the plaintiff's wife, corroborated her husband's story of the alleged assault, and said she recognized her father by his voice. Heilman bowed his head upon the lawyers' table and sobbed loudly.

"Do you love your father?" asked Lawyer Hyman, the defendant's attorney, who, by the way, is Mrs. Deckinger's cousin. Magistrate Crane, who has aroused the antipathy of the Board of aldermen by discharging prisoners brought before him by Central Office detectives, was scored by President Roosevelt. Captain O'Brien, sent smarting under the action of Magistrate Crane in refusing to hold "Boston Charlie," the noted bunce man, sent a communication to the Board, in which he recited other cases in which Magistrate Crane had refused to hold Central Office prisoners.

Acting Captain Brennan, of the Church Street Station, also complained of Magistrate Crane. He arrested a number of persons for conducting disorderly houses, he said, and presented convincing evidence of their guilt, but the Magistrate discharged the prisoners. Magistrate Crane said that his sympathies went out to the prisoners. "What are we going to do if this continues?" asked President Roosevelt. The fourth sentimentality puts a premium on crime.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Mayor, and in this connection the night of the alleged assault Mrs. and Mrs. Deckinger called at his room, and, for no earthly reason, kicked and beat him severely. Later that night the fight in front of the Deckingers occurred.

Mrs. Deckinger went across the street to the policeman and shouted out at her father, who was standing on the corner and had nothing whatever to do with the row. "Why don't you go down to the Fourth Ward and stay with your friends there?"

"What did Mr. Heilman say?" asked Lawyer Hyman.

"He turned to the policeman," answered Eddie, "and said: 'That's what you get for bringing up a child. Here I've just got her married, and spent \$2,800 on her, too!' The policeman refused to arrest any of us, as it was only a family row."

Mr. Heilman's tears continued to flow at intervals throughout the afternoon, but when the verdict in his favor was announced he smiled broadly and seemed at peace with all the world.

Women Oppose Unequal Taxation.  
Mrs. Clarence Burns presided at the weekly meeting of the West End Auxiliary of the Women's National Republican Association, held in the Hotel Endicott yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Cornelius Robinson read a paper on "The Separation of State and Municipal Administrations," in which she urged the injustice of any city being compelled to pay more than its quota of State tax, either by a direct levy or by revenue of any kind, especially the revenue of the State legislative bodies being proportioned to the number of inhabitants of a city and not to the city's wealth. An equal tax is the only just method. This view was endorsed by a formal vote.

beauties, who are both prize winners, claims that they can do all that their show brethren accomplish.

"My cats are not professionals," she said, "although they are named after two well-known variety artists. While they can do any trick ever done by a cat, they are only domestic pets. They sit at table with us, wear napkins, and are fed like children with a fork."

Murphy and Mack at the show repose in fancy baskets, with yellow Elizabethan ruffles round their necks and white silk bows on their backs. The show will close at 10 o'clock to-night.

## ILLINOIS WANTS M'KINLEY.

Cullom Has Not Been a Success as Platt's  
Stalking Horse.

Word reached this city yesterday that there is a lively family row among the Republicans of Illinois over the selection of delegates to the Republican National Convention, which may result in an overthrow of the "bosse" of the machine in that State.

Several weeks ago Thomas Collier Platt and Matthew S. Quay learned that there was grave danger of Illinois sending a McKinley delegation to St. Louis. They sent for Senator Shelby M. Cullom, who, with John R. Tanner, helps direct the Republican forces in Illinois. Cullom had a long talk with the big men, and at its close it was understood that he was to become a Presidential candidate, and thus take delegates that might be otherwise sent for McKinley.

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## VOTED THE MAYOR DOWN.

He Wanted a Site Chosen at  
Once for a Small Park on  
the West Side.

Comptroller Fitch Asked for More  
Time to Look Up the Cost and  
He Was Accommodated.

## AN 'APPEAL' FROM THE EAST SIDE.

Suggested That the City Buy Land on the  
River Front at Seventy-sixth Street  
for the People Whose Park Is  
to Be Taken Away.

The Mayor forced a vote at the meeting of the Board of Street Opening yesterday on the subject of locating a West Side small park, and he was beaten. There was a large attendance of property owners interested in the various sites which had been discussed at previous meetings of the Board.

The special committee, consisting of General Collis, Colonel Cruger and President Jerolomon, of the Board of Aldermen, made reports. General Collis favored a site on the North River front, taking in some of the lumber yards on Thirteenth avenue, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets. Colonel Cruger said he favored the block between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets and Ninth and Tenth avenues. The estimated cost was \$1,117,000.

After figuring for several minutes and consulting Engineer Webster, the Mayor said it seemed that the school-house block, Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets, was the most favorable location. Its value was estimated at \$700,000, and the school house on it was valued at \$235,000. At the rear, on the opposite block, was property worth about \$150,000, which, in Corporation Counsel Scott's opinion, could be condemned and used as a playground. This would give much more than a block.

His calculation was that they would only have to condemn the school house on the block. He moved, therefore, that the Board pass a resolution in favor of this block. General Collis moved as a substitute that the matter be laid over for two weeks, until he could look into the matter of cost. The Mayor put the question on the substitute, which was carried.

## ASKED FOR AN EAST SIDE PARK.

Everett P. Wheeler, president of the East Side House, at the foot of Seventy-sixth street, East River; John Sabine Smith, its treasurer, and Clarence Gordon, its secretary and manager, presented a petition stating that for the past several years the East Side House, which is a private corporation, has maintained a small park on the East River, between Seventy-sixth and Seventy-seventh streets, which has been thrown open to the public free of charge and has been a great benefit to the neighborhood in every respect.

They have there maintained swings, a sand box, a pavilion with seats, and during each Summer about 3,000 persons daily, mostly mothers and children, enjoy the place.

It is now proposed to take most of this park for the extension of the East River. Mr. Wheeler asked the city to lay out a small park and playground on the property extending from Seventy-sixth to Seventy-seventh streets. The land there is vacant and it could be fitted for a park at a trifling cost. Some forty-eight lots, now owned by Trinity School, which has been given over to the city, could be secured for about \$240,000. It would be a breathing place for 200,000 persons living between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets, who cannot and do not send their children to Central Park, because of the "keep-off-the-grass" restrictions and the necessity of "dressing up."

The matter was finally referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Collis and Cruger, who will meet with Messrs. Gordon, Sherman and Wheeler at Mr. Fitch's house to-morrow morning, and then make a personal inspection of the proposed park. The Comptroller said there was a chance to create a lovely little park for a very small cost, and the city ought to do it if possible.

Fireman Thomas F. Burke, of Engine Company No. 10, the Mayor's No. 1, Comptroller by a statement that for twenty-seven years he had had either to climb over a ten-foot fence or crawl under it in order to reach his home. He was present in favor of having